



From: Office of the Mayor

Email: covid19media@clevelandohio.gov

Phone: (216) 664-2220 Blog: www.clecityhall.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Jan. 11, 2021

City of Cleveland Provides Coronavirus & Other Important Updates - Update #264

The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on December 22 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through Jan. 31, 2021. Mayor Jackson's order was amended to include a Stay At Home Advisory. Click here to view the order. Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

236 New Confirmed Coronavirus Cases, 4 Fatalities Reported in Cleveland

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been notified of 236 more confirmed cases of coronavirus in city residents on January 11 and four fatalities. This brings the total to 21,153 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 195 fatalities. The new confirmed cases include males and females whose ages range from under 4 years old to their 80s. CDPH is working to identify their close contacts who would require testing or monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms.

As of January 11, there are 678,826 confirmed cases and 8,730 confirmed fatalities in the State of Ohio. There are more than 22.4 million cases and 374,572 deaths in the U.S.

Reminder: The City of Cleveland will disseminate Saturday and Sunday COVID-19 numbers on its Facebook and Twitter pages when they become available.

The City of Cleveland COVID-19 Dashboard displays the most recent preliminary data from the Ohio Department of Health about COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, deaths and recoveries in Cleveland by selected demographics. <u>View the dashboard here</u>. For individuals' privacy, CDPH will not be releasing any additional demographic info related to COVID-19 cases aside from age range and gender.

UPDATED TIME: City of Cleveland to Hold Press Briefing Tuesday, January 12 On Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 1 p.m., Mayor Jackson will hold a virtual press briefing to discuss the COVID-19 vaccine and related updates.

The press conference will be livestreamed on the <u>City of Cleveland Facebook page</u> and media may ask their questions into the comments section. Please include the name of your outlet

when you post the question. We will also take questions from members of the public as time allows.

If media would prefer to send in their questions via email, they are welcome to send them to covid19media@clevelandohio.gov no later than one hour prior to the press conference start time.

Urban Land Institute Cleveland and City of Cleveland announce additional keynote speakers and themes for 2021 symposium

The Cleveland District Council of the Urban Land Institute and the City of Cleveland, with support from the Cleveland Foundation, is excited to announce three additional speakers will join *Building the 21st Century City: The Future Is Now!*, a virtual symposium from March 2-3, 2021. Click here to view a video about the new speakers.

The two-day symposium will discuss themes that will allow the city to maximize its future prosperity with an emphasis on inclusivity. Three tracks will be utilized, technology, mobility and inclusive economic development. These three key topics will be discussed to help facilitate development of realistic programs and policies by the city.

The symposium's keynote speaker will be Ben Hammersley, a futurist and strategic forecaster.

"The movement to rethink our cities is at the heart of every solution to the problems we face today, and drives the opportunities we can build for tomorrow," Hammersley said. "We'll all be living the rest of our lives in the future, so we should start as soon as possible. That's why I'm so excited for the conversations we will be having at this event."

Technology Track Speaker

Debra Lam, the founding executive director for Partnership for Inclusive Innovation will be the keynote speaker for the technology track. Lam also continues to work with Georgia Tech on leading smart communities and urban innovation work.

For the technology discussion, the two panels will focus on broadband access (methods, financing and equity) and preparing for new technologies (electric and autonomous vehicles, digital signage and media including methods, financing and infrastructure).

Mobility Track Speaker

Gabe Klein, the founding partner of Cityfi, will be the keynote speaker for the mobility track. Klein advises governments and companies worldwide on innovation in cities. Klein is the former commissioner of the Chicago and Washington, D.C. departments of transportation.

For the mobility discussion, one panel will focus on funding alternatives for 21st century transportation, as well as new approaches needed due to innovation in logistics and distribution. The second panel will focus improving transit for all modes and developing the 21st century right of way.

Economic Development Track Speaker

Tawanna Black, the founder and chief executive officer for the Center for Economic Inclusion, will be the keynote speaker for the inclusive economic development track. Black is a nationally recognized thought leader known for influencing, inspiring, and equipping cross-sector leaders to

transform a personal conviction for equality into actions that produce equitable and thriving communities.

One panel will consider location decisions for 21st century businesses-including workforce readiness and another will highlight opportunities in growing sectors and support for minority business and entrepreneurs. The symposium will also engage a cross section of stakeholders within the City of Cleveland and the region.

The event will utilize three significant actions to identify steps to take to energize the city and stakeholders to accelerate action steps: education, conceptualization and execution. The first action step of *Building the 21st Century City* is the symposium, which will utilize speakers with breakout sessions and include workshops and panels. Following the symposium, the second phase, conceptualization, will bring together active participants to discuss what may be applied locally, and to firmly establish the area as a more competitive and smarter city that will be ready for the changing technology of the 21st century. The final phase will include execution of the plans, which will consist of selecting the most relevant approaches learned and identified to apply in Cleveland. This stage will focus on what the city should do to prepare and facilitate for changes to accelerate economic development.

Registration details for *Building the 21st Century City: The Future Is Now!* will be announced in early 2021. For more information and to sign up for the ULI Cleveland mailing list, visit cleveland.uli.org. To receive information about the 21st Century event, including sponsorship opportunities, please send a request to <u>cleveland@uli.org</u>.

The Cleveland District Council of the Urban Land Institute and the City of Cleveland, with support from the Cleveland Foundation, are excited to announce early registration tickets can soon be purchased to *Building the 21st Century City: The Future Is Now!*, a virtual symposium to be held from March 2-3, 2021.

The two-day symposium will discuss themes that will allow the city to maximize its future prosperity with an emphasis on inclusivity. Three tracks will be utilized: technology, mobility and inclusive economic development. These three key topics will be discussed to help facilitate development of realistic programs and policies by the City of Cleveland.

ULI Symposium Early Registration Tickets are Now on Sale

Registration tickets for the <u>Building the 21st Century City: The Future Is Now!</u>, a virtual symposium from March 2-3, 2021, are now available.

Registration prices are Private (member) \$80 / (non-member) \$110; Public/Non-profit/Academic (member) \$60 / (non-member) \$90; Student (member) \$50 / (non-member) \$70. (Private pricing applies to those who work for a private company.)

Ticket pricing includes admission to programming on March 2-3, recordings of the symposium following the event dates, and admission to a virtual networking reception with program attendees. For group rates, please email <u>cleveland@uli.org</u>. Early registration ends February 19, 2021. For more information and to sign up for the ULI Cleveland mailing list, visit <u>cleveland.uli.org</u>.

The symposium's keynote speaker is Ben Hammersley, a futurist and strategic forecaster. Other speakers include technology track speaker Debra Lam, mobility track speaker Gabe Klein, and inclusive

economic development speaker Tawanna Black. For more information about the symposium schedule, speakers, and sponsorship, visit https://cleveland.uli.org/events/building-the-21st-century-city-the-future-is-now/.

Other Important Reminders (Previous Announcements)

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Update

On Dec. 24, 2020, the City of Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) began strategically and thoughtfully administering doses of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to individuals identified within Phase 1a of its distribution plan. This includes individuals at the greatest risk in conjunction with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Phase 1a individuals include: healthcare workers, long-term care facility residents/staff and other congregate facilities- staff and residents.

1. Vaccine Distributions to Date

The City has received a total of 6,000 doses of the Moderna vaccine from the State of Ohio. On Dec. 24 –Dec. 29, 2020, *a total of 660 vaccines* were administered to Phase 1a individuals as well as some essential City of Cleveland workers:

- o 115 EMS
- o 280 Fire
- o 26 Airport Fire Dept.
- o 18 Cleveland Police Department Officers
- o 150 Target Phase 1 Population (Non-City of Cleveland Staff)
- o 71—POD support staff

This week, the City reopened its Point of Distribution (POD) at Public Auditorium to vaccinate additional Phase 1a individuals. Those scheduled to receive the vaccine this week include healthcare staff from Federally Qualified Health Centers, other healthcare providers, medical students, EMTs and paramedics who would like to receive the vaccine. As of today, *an additional 580* people were vaccinated. The City anticipates vaccinating an *additional 400+ individuals* by the end of this week.

2. Vaccine Storage and Viability

The City of Cleveland <u>has not and will not</u> discard any of the doses we've received or will receive. It is important to note the following about the Moderna vaccine:

- Once the vaccine is transported in a refrigerated state, the vaccine is viable for up to
 12 hours
- Once the vaccine is punctured, the vaccine is viable for up to 6 hours Because of this, CDPH works closely with City departments/divisions and external organizations to create a schedule of the individuals that are expected to receive the vaccine on a given day. This allows CDPH the ability to plan for the number of doses that need to be prepped for administration. In the event, however, that individuals scheduled do not report to receive the vaccine on the date assigned, CDPH works with other City departments to identify essential workers who are able and available to receive the vaccine that day. Those essential workers are vaccinated using the remaining doses.

3. Next steps

 \circ Over the next few weeks, the City will continue to provide initial vaccinations to phase 1a individuals. Beginning January $21^{\rm st}$, the City will also begin to provide the

 2^{nd} dose of the vaccine to those individuals who received their first dose 28 days prior.

- Next week, the City will also begin our efforts to vaccinate individuals that reside and work in congregate living facilities. The City will also activate a mobile POD that will be sent to congregate living facilities to vaccinate individuals who have mobility challenges.
- The City is currently taking the necessary steps to prepare for vaccinating phase 1b individuals.

Cleveland Hopkins International Airport Now Offering COVID-19 Testing

A new Covid-19 testing site is now open Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) that provides travelers, visitors, and airport staff with their results, delivered to their phone, in as little as 15 minutes. TACKL Health specializes in rapid mobilization for large-scale testing in locations nationwide. Guests can receive both polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and rapid antigen tests. The new testing site is located on the ticketing level, near the information desk, and is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week.

TACKL Health licensed healthcare professionals administer the tests in four private sanitized rooms. Those wishing to get tested can schedule an appointment in advance by scanning a QR code, going to www.tacklhealth.com/cle. Walk-ins are also welcome. Since the testing site is on the public side of the airport, anyone can walk up to get tested. The cost for the rapid antigen test is \$95, \$135 for the PCR test, or \$175 for both. PCR test results arrive via email or a text message in 24 to 48 hours and rapid antigen test results take 15 minutes.

Testing is voluntary and not required by Cleveland Hopkins International Airport. For more information, view our FAQ sheet <u>here.</u>

2021 City of Cleveland Division of Waste Bulk Pick-Up Schedule Now Available

The 2021 City of Cleveland Division of Waste Bulk Pick-Up Calendar is available for <u>download</u> <u>here.</u> In addition to bulk pick-up dates, the calendar includes information about proper waste set out. Here are some tips to make sure your waste collection is compliant with city set out guidelines:

- Rule of three: Remember that the limit for bulk pick-up is three items.
- Residents may leave out for collection items such as appliances, tables, chairs, mattress box springs, couches and furniture.
- All mattresses, box springs and cloth furniture must be wrapped in plastic.
- In addition to the three items, residents may leave out up to four tires.
- The City does not accept construction material.
- Boxes and loose bags are not bulk items.
- Carpet must be cut and rolled into 3-foot long pieces and must not exceed 40 pounds.

The Division of Waste also reminds residents of the following waste regulations:

- Only waste in officially issued City carts will be accepted, and loose trash or bags outside City roll carts will not be accepted.
- The following will be not be accepted in or outside of roll carts: construction materials,
 hazardous waste, bricks, dirt, concrete, cinder blocks, auto parts, loose metal items, medical
 waste or fluorescent tubes. No wet paint should be placed in roll carts. All paint cans should
 be dry before they are placed in roll carts.

• Do not place hot charcoal ashes in roll carts.

For further information regarding waste collection, please call the Division of Waste Collection at (216) 664-3711 or visit http://www.clevelandohio.gov.

Public Works and Port Control Hiring Snow Removal Vehicle Operators

The City of Cleveland Department of Public Works is hiring <u>Snow Removal Vehicle Operators</u>. This position is seasonal and will be used only during the snow removal season. Required qualifications include:

- High School Diploma or GED;
- Valid Commercial Drivers' License (CDL) Type B with Air Brake Endorsement; and
- Good driving record.

The City of Cleveland Department of Port Control is also hiring <u>Snow Removal Vehicle Operators</u>. This position is seasonal and will be used only during the snow removal season. Airport and departmental requirements include:

- Must successfully complete a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) 10 year fingerprint-based Criminal History Records Check and employment background check and Security Threat Assessment.
- Must be able to pass a pre-employment physical and drug test; and
- Must successfully complete all applicable regulatory airfield Ground Vehicle Operator and Winter Operations training/assessments and maintain corresponding airfield driving privileges.

For more information and to view more available City of Cleveland positions, click here.

City Now Accepting Applications for Cleveland Small Business Grant Emergency Working Capital Program – Specially Impacted Businesses

The Emergency Working Cpital program is designed to assist businesses whose operations are specifically impacted by COVID and have had to take exceptional measures to maintain operations throughout the pandemic. Businesses may receive a \$10,000 loan for working capital and operations costs and a \$10,000 grant to offset costs of PPE and other safety measures. Applicants must complete the Emergency Capital Working Fund Loan Application and the 1-page supplemental questionnaire. Applications for this program should be submitted electronically to economicdevelopment@clevelandohio.gov.

Calls Regarding COVID-19 Complaints

With the passage by Cleveland City Council of an ordinance authorizing penalties for non-compliance with Mayor Jackson's mask mandate, enforcement is now in effect.

There are two numbers Clevelanders should call regarding non-compliance:

- Business complaints: CDPH hotline at (216) 857-7165
- Individual or private residence complaints: Cleveland Police non-emergency line at (216) 621-1234

Cleveland City Council recently approved the mandatory use of masks in public spaces as well as certain penalties for individuals and businesses that do not comply. On July 3, Mayor Jackson signed an amended order mandating the use of masks in public in the City of Cleveland to slow the spread of the highly contagious coronavirus. This includes mandatory use in bars, restaurants, shared office settings, rideshares and other shared spaces.

Citations may be issued with fines for the following:

- Any business or person violating the mask or safe-seating order (which maintains social distancing of at least six feet between patrons) is subject to civil penalties in accordance with Ordinance No. 556-2020, specifically chapters 602 and 236.
- Any business in the City of Cleveland with an employee who becomes ill with the coronavirus is required to immediately disinfect and sanitize the premises. Following a warning, they may be subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the first offense and a civil penalty of \$3,000 for each subsequent violation.

Upcoming Cleveland Transformation Alliance Meetings

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee (CTA) is currently hosting public meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For more information on these meetings, please visit http://www.myCLEschool.org. See details for upcoming meetings below:

Cleveland Plan Progress Committee

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at Noon

https://zoom.us/j/98637418704?pwd=TzJ4cit6Q2I2d3phWVlzckY0alE3Zz09

Meeting ID: 986 3741 8704

Passcode: 493433 One tap mobile

+13017158592,,98637418704#,,,,*493433# US (Washington D.C.)

+13126266799,,98637418704#,,,,*493433# US (Chicago) Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/adadVlKcoH

CTA Board Meeting

Monday, January 25, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

https://zoom.us/j/95274808308?pwd=UFRQL3QzZk51VjN5Y1BTNWozdnRqUT09

Meeting ID: 952 7480 8308

Passcode: 028052 One tap mobile

+13017158592,,95274808308#,,,,,0#,,028052#US (Washington D.C)

+13126266799,,95274808308#,,,,,0#,,028052#US (Chicago)

Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/adLsWr0PY

CodeRED

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. To sign up online, visit https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED, get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at (216) 664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland

Click here to view previous updates.

For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:

- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/
- http://www.clevelandhealth.org/

About the City of Cleveland

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city

in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit online at www.clevelandohio.gov. Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland.